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SEXUAL DYSFUNCTION IN WOMEN (as amended)

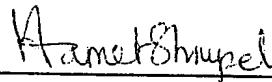
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Preliminary Amendment

Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-5 and add new claims 6-27.

6. A method for treating sexual dysfunction in a female subject, comprising
  - (a) selecting a formulation containing at least one of misoprostol and a metabolite of misoprostol in an effective dose; and
  - (b) topically administering the formulation to the subject to provide a beneficial treatment for sexual dysfunction.

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